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WASHINGTON, APRIL 22, 1860.

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KEARNEY is wearing a striped suit—very becoming.

The New York *World* calls it "the farce at Syracuse."

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The Tammany men are not happy since they heard from Syracuse.

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States District-Attorney TOWNSEND. He was requested in a very civil manner by a reporter in attendance to permit him to copy a certain paper, which was refused, not because the publication of the paper would be improper, but for the high-toned reason that the press had "criticized" him, and he would not go out of his way to oblige it—an observation which implies that if the press had spoken sweetly of him he would have gone anywhere to repay the pleasant compliment.

It may not be very important, but no doubt it will be highly satisfactory to our readers to know who Recorder SEARS is—how he came to be thus dignified with an opportunity to exhibit his ill-breeding, and what manner of man he is anyway. He appears to be a rare specimen of that class of the genus homo who fails to impress upon others a sense of his importance to a degree equal to that which he has established within himself. "A pigmy, though perched on Alps, is but a pigmy still."

STAKES FROM THE POLITICAL ANVIL.

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 BRISTOL, ENGLAND. April 18, 1860.

The Board of Trade have just declared a MONTHLY DIVIDEND OF ONE DOLLAR AND FIFTY CENTS ON THE TEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$10,000,000) CAPITAL STOCK OF THE COMPANY, OR ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000) FIFTY CENTS PER SHARE, out of the third Month's net earnings.

Interest books will close April 10, and payment of DIVIDENDS WILL BE MADE APRIL 15.

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